## "LETTING YOU KNOW"

The Illinois Department of Transportation is interested in maintaining close communications with industry. This newsletter highlights subjects which we believe will be of interest to you.

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PROPERLY
COMPLETING YOUR
PROPOSAL:

Many of the department's proposals contain additional items that are required to be completed and returned with the bid. These include, but are not limited to, the Steel Cost Adjustment, Project Labor Agreement, Paragraph K – Responsible Bidder/Apprenticeship, Disclosure Forms A & B, the Construction Employee Utilization Projection, etc. It is imperative all items are accurately completed and submitted with the bid.

APPLICATION FOR PREQUALIFICATION:

IDOT is in the process of becoming ISO 9001:2000 certified. Prime Contractor Prequalification is one of the key processes being certified. ISO certification requires all appropriate forms to include an ISO number. The form **Application for Prequalification (BC-8)** will have the ISO number "ISO CF-710-001." To be in compliance with the ISO certification process, all applications submitted to the Prequalification Section starting October 1, 2004, will need to have the ISO number on the cover sheet of the application. The new ISO version of form BC-8 is available on the department's web site at www.dot.il.gov.

MORATORIUM ON SLIPFORMING BRIDGE PARAPETS:

Based on the findings of a recent FHWA/IDOT process review on bridge parapet construction, starting with the July 30, 2004 letting, slipforming of bridge parapets is not being allowed on future projects.

This moratorium will last for at least six months and until such time successful construction of slipformed bridge parapets can be demonstrated.

**DELAYED AWARDS:** 

Contractors are reminded that when scheduling the resources required to prosecute a completion date contract, the department has up to 45 days to award the contract. If the contractor chooses to execute the contract beyond the 45-day time limit, all terms of the contract are valid, including the time limit.

STAY INFORMED!

Keep in touch with your representative on the IDOT/Industry Policy Committee and IDOT/Industry Joint Co-op Committee.

